

## **SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS**

*Please amend paragraphs [0026] and [0043] as follows:*

[0026] **Figure 2** is one embodiment of a network element transmitting adaptation information to other elements of a network. System 200 includes node A 210, node C 230, and node B 220. Node A 210 is capable of measuring and/or determining local transmit/receive characteristics and/or statistics for a communication channel over which node A 210 will communicate. Characteristics may include, but are not limited to, an SNR of the communication channel, which may include SNIR, PCS threshold level, an adaptation indicator, etc. Node A 210 transmits information 211 related to the measured characteristics to other nodes in system 200. For example, node A 210 may broadcast the characteristics to neighboring nodes, or transmit to selected nodes, etc. A neighboring node is one within range of detecting and correctly receiving the signal having the information. Concurrently pending U.S. Patent Application **TBD 10/879,766**, entitled **TBD "Method and Apparatus to Distribute Statistics in a Wireless Communication Network"**, and filed **TBD June 28, 2004**, discusses in more detail transmission of characteristics to other elements in a network.